UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI EASTERN DIVISION

COREY LOUIS HINES,)	
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Petitioner,)	
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v.)	No. 4:10CV1780 RWS
)	
LISA J.W. HOLLINGWORTH,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before me on petitioner's petition for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Petitioner seeks to overturn two old municipal convictions, dated July 6, 1993, and October 2, 1990. Petitioner was sentenced to thirty days in jail for each conviction. Petitioner is currently serving a federal sentence for other charges and is imprisoned in USP Marion.

District courts have jurisdiction to entertain petitions for habeas relief only from persons who are "in custody in violation of the Constitution or laws or treaties of the United States." 28 U.S.C. § 2241(c)(3). The custody requirement is fulfilled when a petitioner is in custody "under the conviction or sentence under attack at the time his petition is filed." Maleng v. Cook, 490 U.S. 488, 490-91 (1989). Where, as is the case here, a sentence has fully expired, the custody requirement is not met. Id.

As a result, I do not have jurisdiction over the petition, and I will summarily dismiss it. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(h)(3); Rule 4 of the Rules Governing § 2254 Cases.

Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that petitioner's motion to proceed in forma pauperis is GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that petitioner's petition for habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 is DISMISSED.

An Order of Dismissal will be filed with this Memorandum and Order.

Dated this 29th day of September, 2010.

RODNEY W. SIPPEL

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE